

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

MICHAEL D MILAM,

Petitioner,

v.

DAN WHITE,

Respondent.

CASE NO. C14-5655 RBL-KLS

ORDER FOR SERVICE AND
RETURN, § 2254 PETITION

Petitioner filed two copies of his petition that are not identical. Dkt. 6 and 6-1. The Court has considered both documents and accepts (Dkt. 6-1), as the petition in this action. The Court hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

(1) The Clerk shall arrange for service by certified mail upon Respondent and the Attorney General for the State of Washington, copies of the petition (Dkt. 6-1), and all documents in support thereof. All costs of service shall be advanced by the United States. The Clerk shall assemble the necessary documents to effect service.

(2) Within forty-five (45) days after such service, Respondent(s) shall file and serve an answer in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing §2254 Cases in United States District Courts. As part of such answer, Respondent(s) should state whether Petitioner has exhausted available state remedies, whether an evidentiary hearing is necessary, and whether

1 there is any issue of abuse or delay under Rule 9. Respondent(s) shall not file a dispositive
2 motion in place of an answer without first showing cause as to why an answer is inadequate.
3 Respondent(s) shall file the answer with the Clerk of the Court and serve a copy of the answer
4 upon petitioner.

5 (3) The answer will be treated in accordance with Local Rule CR 7. Accordingly,
6 upon receipt of the answer the Clerk will note the matter for consideration on the fourth Friday
7 after the answer is filed, Petitioner may file and serve a response not later than on the Monday
8 immediately preceding the Friday appointed for consideration of the matter, and Respondent
9 may file and serve a reply brief not later than on the Thursday immediately preceding the Friday
10 designated for consideration of the matter.

11 **DATED** this 28th day of August, 2014.

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United States Magistrate Judge
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